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REQUEST FOR CERTIFICATE OF CORRECTION UNDER 37 CFR 1.322 AND 35 USC 254

Sir:

The Patentee has noticed three errors in the claims of Patent No. 7,514,043 and hereby respectfully requests the Commissioner to issue a Certificate of Correction for said patent, in accordance with form PTO/SB/44 submitted herewith.

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It is certified that an error appears or errors appear in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Claim 15 should read as follows:

15. A kit for use in growing crystals by vapor diffusion, comprising a crystallization plate defining a plurality of wells pre-filled with a crystallization solution, at least one seal for sealing said wells with said crystallization solution contained therein, wherein said seal is made of a pierceable material for allowing individual holes to be defined in the pierceable material in order to permit vapor diffusion to occur separately for each of said wells. and wherein said seal extends across each of said wells to prevent the crystallization solution from contacting a crystallization surface associated with each of the wells.

Claim 26 should read as follows:

26. A method of making a pre-filled crystallization plate, comprising the steps of: providing a crystallization plate having a plurality of wells, dispensing a crystallization solution in the wells, individually sealing the crystallization solution in the wells by heat sealing a pierceable foil over the crystallization solution in the wells, and providing individual crystallization surfaces adapted to be sealingly associated with the wells, separately from the pierceable foil, to conduct individual crystallization experiments in the wells once the pierceable foils have been pierced.

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